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### Publications



Publications generally are sold by either the U.S. Census Bureau or the Superintendent of Documents, Government Printing Office (GPO). The entries in this listing specify the correct form to use when ordering. For more details, see the "How to Order" section. Monthly and quarterly reports are available by subscription.

The printed reports are accessible through CenStats, our electronic publication service, on the Internet at <http://www.census.gov/mp/www/index2.html>.

#### Economic

##### **1995 Annual Survey of Manufactures (ASM)**

M95(AS)-1. *Statistics for Industry Groups and Industries* (Including Capital Expenditures, Inventories, and Supplemental Labor, Fuel, and Electric Energy Costs). 72 pp. \$7.50. GPO S/N 003-024-08820-7. Use form 3.

##### **Current Business Reports**

BC/95. *Annual Survey of Communication Services: 1995*. 66 pp. \$7.50. GPO S/N 003-024-08821-5. Use form 3. NOTE--See Selected Abstracts on page 4.

BR/96-12. *Monthly Retail Trade: Sales and Inventories, December 1996*. 48 pp. \$5.50. Use form 1.

BW/97-1. *Monthly Wholesale Trade: Sales and Inventories, January 1997*. 4 pp. \$1.50. Use form 1.

CB/97. *Advance Monthly Retail Sales, February 1997*. 4 pp. \$1. Use form 1.

##### **Current Construction Reports**

C20/97-1. *Housing Starts, January 1997*. 24 pp. \$2. Cite list ID "CRHS" and month and year when ordering from GPO. Use form 3.

C22/97-1. *Housing Completions, January 1997*. 16 pp. \$1.50. Use form 1.

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Economics and Statistics  
Administration  
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FT900-97-1. *U.S. International Trade in Goods and Services, January 1997*. 46 pp. \$15. (Includes the FT 900 Supplement.) To order, contact Foreign Trade Division, telephone 301-457-3041.

FT 920. *U.S. Merchandise Trade—Selected Highlights: December 1996, 40 pp., \$25; January 1997, 40 pp., \$25*. To order, contact Foreign Trade Division, telephone 301-457-2227.

FT 925-96-12. *U.S. Merchandise Trade: Exports, General Imports, and Imports for Consumption, Standard International Trade Classification Revision 3, Country by Commodity, December 1996*. 170 pp. \$15. Use form 1. NOTE—This printed report series is discontinued with the December 1996 issue. Future monthly issues are being offered through the Census Bureau's new online subscription service, CenStats ([www.census.gov/mp/www/index2.html](http://www.census.gov/mp/www/index2.html)). (See page 3.)

TQ985-96-Q3. *United States Foreign Trade—U.S. Waterborne Exports*

and General Imports, July-September 1996. 42 pp. \$30. (Photocopy.) To order, contact Foreign Trade Division, telephone 301-457-2227.

**Current Industrial Reports**

M3-1(97)-1. *Manufacturers' Shipments, Inventories, and Orders, January 1997*. 12 pp. \$1.75. Use form 1.

**General and Reference**

**Census and You**, Volume 32, No. 2/3. February/March 1997. 8 pp. \$2. Use form 1.

**Census Questionnaire Content, 1990**

CQC-24. *We asked... You told us: Income in 1989*. 2 pp. No charge. Use form 2.

**Creating a Census for the 21st Century: The Plan for Census 2000**. 17 pp. No charge. Use form 2.

**Monthly Product Announcement** (MPA), March 1997. 8 pp. No charge. Use form 2.

**Governments****1992 Census of Governments****GC92(3). Volume 3. Public Employment**

2. *Compendium of Public Employment*. 292 pp. \$23. GPO S/N 003-024-08818-5. Use form 3. NOTE—See Selected Abstracts on page 4.

**GC92(4). Volume 4. Government Finances**

5. *Compendium of Government Finances*. 724 pp. \$57. GPO S/N 003-024-08819-3. Use form 3.

**International****International Brief**

IB/96-2. *Population Trends: Russia*. 6 pp. Single copies free. Use form 2. Order from International Programs Center, Washington Plaza 2, Rm. 109, Bureau of the Census, Washington, DC 20233-8860. Telephone, 301-457-1351; Fax, 301-457-1539.

**IPC/96-1. Census 2000: Planning for the 2000 Round of Population and Housing Censuses**. 30 pp. Single copies free. Order from Fabian Sanchez, International Programs Center, Washington Plaza 2, Rm. 308, Bureau of the Census, Washington, DC 20233-8860. Telephone, 301-457-1444; Fax, 301-457-3033.

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**Global Aging into the 21st Century**. (A wall chart.) Single copies free. Order from International Programs Center (IPC), Washington Plaza 2, Rm. 109, Bureau of the Census, Washington, DC 20233-8860. Telephone 301-457-1351; Fax, 301-457-1539.



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This announcement lists all products issued in March 1997.

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#### P-23. Special Studies

193. *How We're Changing, Demographic State of the Nation: 1997*. 4 pp. \$1. GPO S/N 803-005-10046-4. Use form 3.

#### Population Paper Listing (PPL)

For information about the following product, contact Population Division, Statistical Information Staff; telephone 301-457-2422.

PPL-57. *U.S. Population Estimates by Age, Sex, Race, and Hispanic Origin: 1990 to 1996*. \$21.

## Technical Documentation

*Property Owners and Managers Survey, 1995-1996 Technical Documentation*. 265 pp. \$10. Use form 2.

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Data files also are offered on compact disc—read-only memory (CD-ROM), a 4 3/4-inch laser disc. The price for a mass-produced CD-ROM, prepared for popular files, generally is \$150.

CD-ROM's also can be prepared on request for other data files otherwise available only on tape reel or cartridge. The cost for such CD's is the same as the cost for the tape file. The CD files are ASCII copies in the same format as on tape, and they are not accompanied by software. Since the discs are specially prepared in response to customers' requests, orders take about 2 weeks. For further information about this service, contact Customer Services.

Files available on diskette ("floppies") for IBM and compatible microcomputers also are listed.

An ever increasing variety of data files and product information (including this publication) can be accessed via the Internet. (See "How to Order" on page 5 for more information.)

Technical documentation, included with each file order, also is generally available separately. The price varies.

Free *Data Developments* booklets provide brief descriptions of most files. They may be requested from Customer Services. Use form 2.

## CD-ROM Discs

To order, use form 2.

**CD-FTD97-EX-1. U.S. Exports of Merchandise--International Harmonized System Commodity Classification (HS-Based Schedule B) by Country, by Customs District, January 1997.** \$150.

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## Tapes

**Property Owners and Managers Survey, 1995-1996.** \$175.

## Microcomputer Diskettes

**February 1997 and Historical Building Permits Data by State, Metropolitan Area, and Individual Permit-Issuing Places.** Number of diskettes varies. For the price, contact Manufacturing and Construction Division, Building Permits Branch, telephone 301-457-1321.

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Census I-Net Bulletin at <http://www.census.gov/mp/www/subscribe.html#SUB>. You also can sign up there for E-mail subscriptions to *Monthly Product Announcement* and *Census and You*.

## Selected Abstracts

This section features abstracts for various products released during the month or previously released products of wide interest.



**Annual Survey of Communication Services: 1995 (BC-95)**

*Data time span*—1991 through 1995.

*Geographic areas covered*—United States.

*Subject content*—This report provides detailed estimates of operating revenue and expenses for point-to-point communication services, whether by wire or radio and whether intended to be received aurally or visually. This includes telephone communications, including "cellular and other radiotelephone services"; "telegraph and other message communication"; "radio and television broadcasting stations and networks"; and "cable and other pay television services."

Current and previous year estimates and estimates of year-to-year percentage changes are shown, along with estimated coefficients of variation for dollar volume estimates and year-to-year ratios.

66 pp. 1997. \$7.50. GPO S/N 003-024-08821-5. Use form 3.

**1992 Census of Governments: Volume 3, Compendium of Public Employment (GC92(3)-2)**

*Data time span*—1992, with some comparative data since 1946.



**Geographic areas covered—**  
United States, States, and counties.

**Subject content—**This report summarizes public employment, payrolls, and average earnings, as of October 1992. Federal, state, and local (by type) government data are provided for such functions as national defense and international relations, postal service, education, streets and highways, health, hospitals, public welfare, fire and police protection, corrections, natural resources, utilities, financial administration, judicial and legal functions, and other governmental administration.

Data are shown by state and type of government; by population-size groups for counties, municipalities, and townships; by enrollment-size groups for school districts; and by employment-size groups for special district governments. Also included are county area distributions of local government employment and payrolls.

292 pp. 1997. \$23. GPO S/N 003-024-08818-5. Use form 3.

## Looking Ahead

The products listed in this section are among those now in preparation and likely to be available by the time you receive this issue. We have included prices and stock numbers (S/N's) for printed reports if this information has already been furnished by GPO.



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*Motor Freight Transportation and Warehousing Survey: 1995.* 44 pp. \$10. Use form 2.

### Current Foreign Trade Reports

*U.S. Trade With Puerto Rico and U.S. Possessions: Annual 1996*

### Current Housing Reports

*Supplement to the American Housing Survey for Selected Metropolitan Areas in 1994*

### Current Population Reports

#### P-20. Population Characteristics

*The Foreign-Born Population: 1996*

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Other tape files can be produced on CD-ROM by special order for the price of the tape. See the discussion under "Data Files."

Some data files are available on diskettes for IBM and compatible microcomputers.

## Online Access

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For information about our new CenStats electronic subscription service on the Internet, see page 3. CenStats also offers, at no charge, all printed reports issued beginning January 1996. The CenStats URL is <http://www.census.gov/mp/www/index2.html>. For the latest online information about Census Bureau products and how to obtain them, try CenStore (<http://www.census.gov/mp/www/censtore.html>).

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For more information, see the April issue of MPA or contact David Shaw, Administrative and Customer Services Division (301-457-1222; [david.c.shaw@ccmail.census.gov](mailto:david.c.shaw@ccmail.census.gov)).

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